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TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS DIVISION

Mr. Arnie Reed  
Tennessee Regulatory Authority  
460 James Robertson Parkway  
Nashville, Tennessee 37243-0505


Dear Mr. Reed:

On September 17, 2003 Sprint filed with the Tennessee Regulatory Authority an Interim Service Arrangement between United Telephone-Southeast, Inc. (Sprint) and Cingular Wireless. This arrangement indicated an expiration date of October 30, 2003.

Attached is a letter of agreement between Cingular Wireless and Sprint confirming the date on which Sprint received Cingular's request for negotiations of an interconnection agreement. Although Sprint and Cingular have been engaged in negotiations for a CMRS Interconnection Agreement since May 23, 2003, Sprint and Cingular agree that for purposes of Section 252 of the Act, Sprint received Cingular's request for negotiations on August 7, 2003. Based on that date, the 135<sup>th</sup> day (the opening of the arbitration window) will fall on December 22, 2003, and the 160<sup>th</sup> day (closing of the window) will fall on January 15, 2004. We ask that you include the attached letter with the Interim Service Arrangement between Sprint and Cingular Wireless currently under review.

If you have questions regarding this matter, please contact me.

Sincerely,

  
James B. Wright

Attachment

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October 29, 2003

John Clayton  
Director- Carrier Accounts  
United Telephone Company of Indiana  
6480 Sprint Parkway  
Overland Park, KS 66251

Re: Date on which Sprint Received Cingular's Request for Negotiations

Dear Mr. Clayton:

The purpose of this letter is to confirm our agreement as to the date on which Sprint received Cingular's request for negotiations of an interconnection agreement pursuant to Section 252 of the Communications Act of 1934 (the "Act") for Florida, Indiana, Kansas, Missouri, Nevada, New Jersey, North Carolina, Ohio, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia, Pennsylvania and Washington.

Although Sprint and Cingular have been engaged in negotiations for a CMRS Interconnection Agreement since May 23, 2003, Sprint and Cingular agree that for purposes of Section 252 of the Act, Sprint received Cingular's request for negotiations on August 7, 2003. Based on that date, the 135<sup>th</sup> day (the opening of the arbitration window) will fall on December 22, 2003, and the 160<sup>th</sup> day (closing of the window) will fall on January 15, 2004.

Please indicate your agreement with the foregoing by signing in the space provided below and return either the original or a copy to my attention. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'William H. Brown'.

William H. Brown  
Senior Interconnection Manager  
Cingular Wireless, LLC

Agreed to by Sprint:

By:

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'John Clayton'.

John Clayton